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I think you should not accept the settlement. Microsoft is too large and has used its power to corner the market and stifle competition. While the settlement does restrict some of their activities now, it does little to level the playing field and open the market up to competition. Plus, it does nothing to address the high handed way it deals with customers and its failure to provide bug fixes automatically to registered users.

I think the settlement should be rethought and the possibility of breaking Microsoft up into smaller pieces revisited.

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